

TOWN OF BLADES 100TH ANNIVERSARY PARADE ENTRY FORM

2015 PARADE THEME: "HOMECOMING"

Saturday May 16th, 2015 at 1pm

YOU CAN ALSO ENTER ONLINE - www.blades.delaware.gov

Participants agree to abide by Town of Blades 100th Anniversary Parade Rules.

JUDGING CATEGORIES: Check only one category

<input type="checkbox"/> Antique/Classic Auto	<input type="checkbox"/> Motorized Non-Profit Group	<input type="checkbox"/> Marching/Walking Youth(18 or under)
<input type="checkbox"/> Street Rod/Custom	<input type="checkbox"/> Motorized Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Marching/Walking Adult
<input type="checkbox"/> Truck/Car Club	<input type="checkbox"/> Float Non-Profit Group	<input type="checkbox"/> Farm Machinery
<input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle Club	<input type="checkbox"/> Float Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Middle School Band
<input type="checkbox"/> Equestrian/Animals	<input type="checkbox"/> Pageant Winners	<input type="checkbox"/> High School Band
<input type="checkbox"/> Costume		

FIRE DEPARTMENT CATEGORIES (Check one):

☐ Best Individually Decorated Fire Department Vehicle
☐ Best Appearing Overall Fire Department Presentation

Please note that entries not in the above categories may still enter. However, only the above categories are eligible for awards.

EXACT NAME OF UNIT: _____

All participants must know the exact name as completed above. This is how information package will be labeled at the registration trailer. This is also how your entry will be listed for line-up and judging purposes.

Special Guest, if any. NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

SIZE/DESCRIPTION OF UNIT: The accuracy of this is important as the measurements are used for laying out the parade line-up to ensure adequate space is allowed for each unit.

SIZE OF UNIT: _____ 25 FEET _____ 50 FEET _____ 75 FEET _____ OTHER

There are also five overall categories for judging. Entries for these categories are judged in line-up area, beginning at 12:30PM. Winners of overall categories are not eligible to win prize in categories listed above.

The five overall categories are: Best Use of Theme Mayor's Choice
Chamber Choice Kiwanis Club Choice

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY **Participants agree to abide by Town of Blades 100th Anniversary Parade Rules.**

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No. : Day _____ Evening _____

Email: _____

TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR JUDGING, ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, MAY 12TH, 2015.

PLEASE PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON YOUR ENTRY ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM.

Form can be completed online, by email, dropped off at Blades Town Hall, faxed to (302) 629-0199 or mailed to:

**Town of Blades 100th Anniversary Parade
Attn: Vikki Prettyman
20 W Fourth Street
Blades, Delaware 19973**

Questions? Call weekdays: Karen Raines or Vikki Prettyman at (302) 629-7366

Email: karenraines@bladesde.com or vikiprettyman@bladesde.com

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2015 TOWN OF BLADES PARADE RULES

Participants agree to abide by the Town of Blades 100th Anniversary Parade Rules

1. Registration will open at 10:00 A.M. Parade route numbers will be given at the registration desk which will be located at KRISTIN LEVERAGE STATE FARM ROUTE 13 & O'Neal's Road in the parking lot. **The number assigned to your entry must be displayed on the right side of the unit.** so the judges and announcers can identify the entry correctly.
2. **All entries must be clean and be decorated in accordance with the theme of the parade.** **Entries not decorated will not be judged.** The Parade Committee reserves the right to make a final judgment if the entry does not display acceptable atmosphere.
3. **Music is limited to family friendly style music. We welcome school bands & choirs. No radios, amplified so spectators can hear, may be played. Bands are encouraged to play along entire parade route, not just at judges' stand. Choirs are encouraged to sing along parade route, too.**
4. Line-up will begin at 12:30 P.M. and parade will step-off at 1:00 P.M.
5. **The parade will begin at S Market Street, just south of the Dollar General. Proceed on S Market Street, turning right onto High Street. It will continue on High Street, turning right onto Cannon Street. Proceed on Cannon Street, turning left onto E Fifth Street. Parade ends at the Parking Lot of the Blades Volunteer Fire Company. All entries will be directed to parking areas designed for specific groups such as antique cars, floats, marching units, etc.**
6. The parade participants must abide by the ordinances, laws and regulations of the Town of Blades.
7. Consumption of alcoholic beverages/drugs by anyone is prohibited by law.
8. **Distribution of any form of literature, soliciting or canvassing for funds are prohibited.** **The only kind of item that be distributed is candy or treats.**
9. **NOTHING MAY BE THROWN FROM MOVING ENTRIES BY ORDER OF THE BLADES POLICE DEPARTMENT. Candy, treats, etc., may only be distributed by someone walking with the entry and staying close to the curb.**
10. Each equestrian unit must provide their own "scoopers" and must use them. Units without scoopers will not be allowed to participate.
11. All vendors must have prior authorization by the Parade Committee. The vendor application can be obtained by calling town hall at (302) 629-7366 week days.
12. **All participating units must be registered with the Parade Committee.** All entries must be received no later than May 12th, 2015.
13. **In case of inclement weather, the following number will have recorded messages regarding the parade – (302) 629 7366 and on our website www.blades.delaware.gov. Local radio stations will also be advised if cancellation is necessary. NO RAIN DATE FOR PARADE.**
14. Excessive noise will not be permitted. Violators may be asked to withdraw from the parade at any point.
15. **Reckless driving is expressly prohibited by order of Blades Police Department. Spinning of tires and other exhibitions will result in arrest of the driver. If violator is part of a group, the entire group is disqualified.**
16. All units must continue to move along the parade route. Bands may stop in front of Judges' stand for up to 3 minutes.
17. Traffic control personnel, authorized by the Blades Police Department, will be visible along the parade route and must be obeyed.
18. Judging for specific categories will be in the line-up area and along the parade route. Judges' stand is located next to Blades United Methodist Church on S Market Street & E Fourth Street. Judging for overall categories to be in line-up area, beginning at 12:30 P.M.
19. Commercial entries will be limited to one (1) free entry - additional entries will be charged \$10.00 each.
20. **THOSE WHO DO NOT COMPLY WITH THESE RULES CAN BE DISQUALIFIED AND/OR REMOVED FROM THE PARADE.**